

## Laying of Corner Stone by 5,000 People

With reason it may be doubted whether there was a day in the history of Medina so laden with significance as was last Sunday, October 4. Certain it is that during the 100 years of its existence as a village there have been days whose happenings have meant much. But last Sunday rests apart and pre-eminent as a day upon which the spirit of brotherhood and sisterhood was manifest in a deeper and larger degree in Medina than ever has or perhaps could have existed before.

The day was the one which had been set aside for the laying of the corner-stone of the Sophia Parker Huntington Home for Aged Women, which when completed will adorn the summit of one of the most slightly eminences in north-eastern Ohio. It was the occasion for the placing of the main foundation stone in a structure which indeed shall mean home to those infirm and lonely sisters who must seek its hospitable doors. But the hour meant even more. Its radiance reached—it must have reached to the innermost region of the hardest heart that was present. The radiance of love, unselfishness, of the one purpose of making others happy. "Pythian" Sisters—rightly named.

Nature was in her sublimest mood. While the aspect for storm at early morn was somewhat foreboding, by the middle of the forenoon the clouds lifted and a brighter and more beautiful autumnal day we have never known.

About 11 o'clock the special cars began to arrive bearing the delegation of Knights and Sisters from Cleveland. The regular cars were also filled with visitors from Cleveland and adjoining villages. Cars from the south brought large delegations from the southern part of the county and from Wooster and other points at a still greater distance. Several Knights came from Chardon and Middlefield and other towns away up in little Genaga county. Medina, of course, was out en masse. A conservative estimate of the number of persons who were present has been placed at from 5000 to 6000.

While the ceremonies were scheduled to begin at 2 o'clock, it was somewhat later before Rev. Wm. V. Edwards of St. Paul's Episcopal church stepped forward in supplication to God. The delay was unavoidable on account of the unlooked for immensity of the parade and the time consequently entailed in its formation.

Right here it may be stated that no more imposing sight of its kind could be beheld than to witness the long line of plumed Knights as it wound its way up the sinuous roadway to the new home. The elevation is so high that the effect was almost one of an advancing host bent upon the reduction of some great battlement.

Immediately following invocation, Mayor R. L. Gehman was introduced and upon behalf of Medina and the county eloquently expressed the pride and pleasure of our people at the successful result of so worthy a project and the bringing of it to our village.

Mollie Kellar, P. G. C., of Dennison, responded with feeling to the words of Mayor Gehman, accentuating the spirit that prompted the launching of the home and that which is the underlying principle of the order under whose auspices and direction the project is being prosecuted.

The K. of P. band then played "The Holy City," after which Jeanette Bell of Cleveland spoke for a few minutes. To an accompaniment by the band the entire assemblage then joined in singing "America." After a short address by Grand Chief Sue Moyer of Shelby the huge granite, corner-stone was lifted and the copper box containing many and varied articles, such as coins, lodge emblems and copies of the Medina Sentinel and Medina Gazette, were placed within, and the stone then replaced. It is more than likely that human eyes will ne'er again behold the contents of that box until long after the death of the youngest person in Medina county to-day.

Rev. Boutall, chaplain, offered prayer, after which was sung "Blest be the tie that binds." Remarks were made by Brother F. O. Phillips of Medina, who also read that portion of the Sophia Huntington will in which the bequest was made for the Pythian home; Supreme Chancellor Brig. S. Young, of Ada, O., Grand Chancellor Bro. Ellis of Dayton, Supreme Senior, Lillian Samuels of California, Grand Keeper of R. and S. Wm. Beatty of Toledo, Brig. Gen. Mitchell of Cleveland, Bro. Boyd of Cleveland, Frank Sanders of Cleveland, trustee of the K. P. home. After the closing ode,

Rev. Sidney F. Dimmock of the Baptist church of Medina pronounced the benediction after which the vast crowd made its way back to the square and to their homes.

Each speaker emphasized the one cardinal feature of brotherhood—of unselfishness, and the unspeakable joy that comes to him who seeks to make happy the lives of others. Each speaker was deeply enthused with the spirit of the occasion, and which leavened every utterance.

Before closing the services, several substantial contributions toward the new home were announced, whereupon the suggestion that a general passing of the hat be made was promptly acted upon, with the result that something like \$75 was realized.

For some reason, not clear, the refreshment booth on the grounds of the old Pythian home near the entrance to the new grounds, was not a financial success. The booth was attractive and had a plentiful supply of all legitimate foodstuffs, drinks and cigars. However, while not profitable, there was not a deficit.

Friday and Saturday were devoted to scraping the road on Huntington street leading to the new ground and early Sunday morning the street was sprinkled. In fact it seemed that nothing was being overlooked that could even in the smallest way contribute to the success and pleasure of the occasion, as well as the comfort and convenience of the visitors.

## New County Superintendent

C. E. Jenks, the newly elected Superintendent of Medina County Schools, was born at Gates Mills, Ohio, 1875.

He attended county district schools till seventeen, then took the teachers' examination at Cleveland and taught two years in Cuyahoga county. After this he attended Oberlin College for two years, having done most of his preparatory work under a private tutor.

Mr. Jenks next taught one year as principle of the village schools at Nottingham, Ohio, after which he served as township superintendent of Thompson, Geauga county, for three years. Following this he resumed his college work, going to the University of the South at Sewanee, Tennessee.

After finishing the work for his



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bachelor's degree he was employed as superintendent of schools at Middlefield, Ohio, for three years, and was then elected superintendent at Elkins, W. Va., and served in this capacity for three years, where he had a teaching force of 30 and a student body of 1500.

During summer vacations he was putting in his time fitting himself still better for his work by studying at Cornell University, where he was a special student in educational theory and history of education under one of the leaders of educational thought of this country, Dr. Chas. De Garmo. He also put in one summer taking special work in advanced mathematics under Dr. Focke of Case School of Applied Science.

After serving for three years at Elkins, Mr. Jenks was elected head of the English department of Manual Training High School of Louisville, Ky., where he has been for the past six years.

In addition to his regular work as teacher Mr. Jenks has had charge of foot ball and base ball in his school, in both of which branches of sport he has been highly successful. He is also an accomplished musician, and has conducted several strong musical organizations.



LAYING OF THE CORNER-STONE OF PYTHIAN SISTERS HOME

## Medina Defeats Oberlin 19 to 0

Again has the Medina High school football team shown her superiority on the gridiron by taking into camp the highly touted and heavy team of Oberlin Academy, to the tune of 19 to 0. Both teams were evenly matched as to weight, if anything Oberlin being the heavier, while Medina showed her strength in hitting the line. During the first half of the game Medina made but one touchdown, but had the ball in Oberlin's territory most of the time. Medina came back strong in the second half and showed her aggressiveness by shoving over two more touchdowns which made the score stand 19 to 0 at the end of the game.

Oberlin never was in scoring distance and only attempted to score by the air route; when she fell back and made a try at goal from the field, but which fell short.

Martin, the big left tackle of Oberlin, was the whole team and broke up many of Medina's plays during the first half, but the boys got to him in the second half and worked his side for many long gains.

For Medina it is hard to pick out one man that stood head and shoulders above his team mates, but the work of Sargeant at right half was exceptionally brilliant; both in offensive and defensive playing. Bobley, playing full, made tackle after tackle of men coming thru his position. Whipple and Leatherman at tackles were good at opening up holes for their backs to go through. Guards, Berger, Stanley and Koppes showed to good advantage. The ends, Arick, Vance, Shane and Longacre, although the lightest men on the squad, were in every play and showed lots of nerve in smashing up the interference of the opposing team.

Long at center again played a good, consistent game, although handicapped by an injury to his ankle in a previous game. Pierce at quarter was on the job all the time, running off his plays in a fast manner, and did not have to open upwork to speak of.

Coach Miller expresses a keen satisfaction in the way the boys worked the second-half of the game.

## NORTHERN OHIO CASE

There was a goodly-sized crowd in attendance at the Northern Ohio railroad hearing before the State Utilities Commission at the court house last Friday afternoon.

Admitting that present service is poor but arguing that it was the best that the traffic would support, representatives of the railroad said that the company were willing to put an extra train on for a month as a trial. This was flatly turned down by Prosecutor Van Epp, representing the Medina Board of Trade, as being valueless as a criterion.

John B. Cockrum, attorney for the railroad, admitted that the service of the road between Akron and Medina was poor and inadequate, but that owing to the bad financial condition of the company, they could not increase the services without being forced into bankruptcy.

Both sides were instructed to file briefs with the commission, the Board of Trade by Oct. 15 and the railroad by Nov. 1.

## PIONEER LADY DEAD

Mrs. Elia Rickert, widow of the late Abraham Rickert died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sherman Hill, a few miles south of Medina, Wednesday morning about 10 o'clock, of apoplexy. The deceased was 81 years of age. She had been in reasonably good health up to the time she was stricken. The funeral will be held at the home to-day (Friday) at 2 p. m. Rev. Harry Richards of Bellevue, O., officiating.

## WILL SPEAK ON TEMPERANCE

Temperance meetings will be held throughout the county for the next two weeks as follows, also the names of those who will speak:

The first eight named will be held on Friday, Oct. 9. Brunswick town hall, Rev. Philip Kelsner; Seville, W. S. Shelley of Wadsworth; Lodi Masonic Hall, S. F. Dimmock of Medina; Lafayette, Rev. Crawford and J. M. Alderfer of Sharon; Bebetown Baptist church, E. R. Root of Medina; Poe M. E. church, D. R. Pelton; Spencer town hall, Secretary Stow of the Y. M. C. A.; York town hall, H. S. Fritsch of Medina; Oct. 13, J. M. Alderfer will speak at the Hockley school house, Rev. Dimmock at the Litchfield Congregational church, and Rev. Mente at the Coddingtonville U. B. church; Oct. 11, Rev. Mente will also speak at the Granger M. E. church; Rev. Mente's addresses will be illustrated. Oct. 16 there will be a meeting at Wadsworth, but the name of the speaker has not yet been announced. The same night Rev. F. W. Hass of Medina will speak at the LeRoy M. E. church. Oct. 19, Rev. F. W. Hass of Medina will address a meeting of the Congregational church in Chatham.

LATER—The Bebetown date has been changed to Oct. 13.

## GOOD RACING SATURDAY

The matinee driving club is furnishing some pretty good races these days. Saturday the track record was broken again when Anna Dillard stepped a mile in 2:14, and the winners in the other two events lowered their records. The result was as follows:

First event—Mixed Race:	
Tarzan Case,	1 1
Hallie B. Wightman,	2 2
Lady Belle, Huffman,	3 3
Time, 2:31, 2:31.	
Second event—Pace.	
Newtie, Barlow,	1 1 1
Maggie W. Canfield,	2 2 2
Time, 2:20, 2:19, 2:22.	
Third event—Pace.	
Anna Dillard, Hange,	2 1 1 2
Fred Barlow, McDowell,	3 2 1 2
Anna B. Hatch,	1 3 3 3
Time, 2:18, 2:15, 2:14, 2:16.	

## MAY LOSE SIGHT

During the "good night" signal in the fireworks display Wednesday evening, Mrs. Clyde Wiley was struck in the eye with a small piece of wood flying from the display and may lose the sight of that eye in consequence.

With her husband she was seated at the edge of the park on the north side when the accident occurred. She was taken at once to the office of a physician near by and later to her home on Wadsworth road. Thursday night, while resting easier, the eye was still in a swollen condition and it could not be determined exactly how serious the injury may prove.

## GIRLS IN HOOKY PARTY

A dozen Wadsworth high school girls were suspended Monday it is reported, as the result of a "hooky" party Friday afternoon.

The fair truants were jealous of the privilege granted the football boys who went to Kent in the afternoon and took advantage of the absence of the principal and the superintendent to take a vacation.

In the list of those suspended Monday morning were five seniors, six juniors and several freshmen.

## ACCIDENT FROM SPEEDING

Henry Reutter was arrested Monday afternoon upon a warrant sworn out by Lonie Moore, charging that defendant had run into, knocked him down and seriously injured him while driving a motor-cycle faster than the legal rate of speed. Later in the afternoon Reutter was arraigned before Probate Judge Kennan, where he pleaded guilty and was fined \$5 and the costs. He paid the fine and costs and was discharged. Moore's arm was badly cut and bruised.

## Medina's Annual Carnival Biggest in Town's History

The fates are with Medina—at least so far fetes are concerned. Providence smiled on the day of the laying of the corner-stone of the Pythian Sisters home last Sunday and she fairly grinned Wednesday at our gala day event. That her solicitude should not be in the slightest degree mistaken, she sent a few drops of rain during the preceding day and night to settle what few flecks of dust that might otherwise intrude. In short it is an open question if a day nearer perfect ever was enjoyed.

Medina has had other fete days. They have been successful ones, too. But it is the unanimous opinion that the gala day Wednesday surpassed in every particular any previous similar occasion. The committees were well named and each performed its work thoroughly and with painstaking care.

The business houses had been decorated for several days before and Wednesday morning was devoted to roping off the streets for the parade, the placing of the various exhibits in the park, the seats, Japanese lanterns, and the thousand and one other little details that count for so much toward the success of any big undertaking.

The number of people who enjoyed the occasion has been estimated from 8,000 to 10,000. We believe the former figure is conservative. There has not been reported any fights, drunks, rowdism or boisterousness of any kind. Every face seemed to be wreathed in smiles. The crowd could be observed gathering as early as 10 o'clock and from that time on it continued rapidly until evening.

The parade, although a little late in starting, nevertheless proved a pageant for size and beauty never before seen in Medina. Following is the line-up practically in the order of position:

Marshall of the day S. S. Oatman and staff mounted, K. P. band, Women's Relief Corps with mammoth float driven by Uncle Sam, an auto trimmed in white and studded with red roses, driven by Miss Dorothy Branch; A. I. Root Co., with bee hive display; Bernie Bowman with decorated auto, R. A. Leohr with auto, Geo. Santee with auto trimmed in white and studded with yellow chrysanthemums; Mrs. Leohr with auto; Tom Phillips with auto; The Medina Telephone Co., with wires strung and girls there all ready for service; E. T. Pierce with auto; Dwight Shepard with auto trimmed with maple leaves; Floyd Pelton with auto; Aldrich Underwood with auto; W. G. Steingass with auto containing the mounts of two cows' heads; Geo. S. Mellert, E. C. Ziegler & Son, with autos; A. C. Marsh with auto; W. E. Bowman with auto; grotesque rig advertising football game, Fire Marshall Wise, and laddies and equipment; grotesque rig containing newly-weds; Medina Oil Co., with a float; Frank Brandow with float; C. S. Fretter with float; pony and cart; Medina Oil Co., with second float; A. Tebbits with float; Miller & Collin with float showing the old and new ways of doing house drudgery; H. A. Waite with large float; Oatman Hardware with large float; Branch & Longacre with float; R. Hoff with float; Standard Oil Co., with three floats; gypsy wagon driven by Andy Baish; besides the above there was a long line of carriages, a sprinkling of human baboons, etc., and an old-time martial band. It was a good one, too.

One of the main features of the day was the horse show. Dr. Orr, A. F. Hange and W. J. Anderson drove over a hundred miles in their efforts to secure the best possible entries, and they have expressed themselves as never having seen a better showing in the county. Following are those who entered and the various prize winners:

Draft teams—J. W. Walker 1st, C. Beedle 2d, M. McGinniss and Wade Brintnall.

General purpose—Wm. Baker 1st, Branch & Longacre 2d, Ira Markley and Bert Lent.

Carriage teams—Dr. Johns 1st, F. Betler 2d, and Alf. Ebert.

Single turnouts—Don Crawford 1st, C. E. Rohrer 2d, A. S. Canfield, Jake Longacre, J. W. Gill, Geo. Ebert and Geo. Brew.

Single general purpose—Miss Emma Beedle 1st, H. B. Wideman (two horses) 2d, Geo. Abbot and L. J. Hogan.

Saddle horse—Dr. Johns 1st, A. S. Canfield 2d.

Pony turnout—Ralph and Everett Randall and two children of Gail Abbott, all receiving 1st.

The awarding committee gave prizes to the following:

Pumpkin—1st, 5 1/2 lbs., Earl Hines; 2d, 50 1/2 lbs., H. C. Porter. Cabbage—1st, 12 1/2 lbs., Ed. Lettler; 2d, same weight within a fraction of an ounce, W. O. Kindig. Tallest corn—1st, 14 feet 11 in., C. B. Blakeslee; 2d, 14 feet, 4 in., Myron Curtiss.

Five-ear corn—1st, John Young; 2d, Will Lowe.

Flowers—1st, Mrs. Frank Worden; 2d, Mrs. R. Edwards.

P. O. Shank of Litchfield brought over a huge watermelon which he directed should be given to the hand-somest looking woman in the parade. The honor as well as the melon went to Mrs. Frank Spellman.

In the evening the parade of the afternoon was repeated, although there were many and very attractive additions, as follows:

Pythian Sisters float, with two distinguished occupants in the persons of Grand Chief Sue Moyer of Shelby and Sister Mollie Kellar of Dennison. This float was the gift of Mr. H. A. Waite. Then there was a flock of girls bearing emblems of fall—autumn leaves and corn stalks; boys as colored cooks with frying pans; domestic science girls; Hallowe'en ghosts with Jack-o'-lanterns; farmer boys and girls; Knights of Pythias; float of L. O. T. M.; Kootown Fire Co.; John Beck and Sunday school class in D. R. Pelton's auto, which was trimmed in blue and white bearing banners of "Ohio is Going Dry."

Medina had outdone Oberlin in the football game a few hours before and the victory was proclaimed publicly in the evening by the Medina boys carrying their victim through the streets in effigy on a stretcher, attended by scouts demonstrating "first aid to the injured."

A promiscuous squad representing a fantastic band led by a fellow of extreme height, made so by the use of stilts, and carrying a baton with which he maintained his equilibrium, excited much merriment. The personnel of this musical aggregation was Chester Ryan, Geo. Hill, Clayton Randall, Orlo Woodruff, Harry Maple, E. Sprankle, Hobart Edwards, Carl Bartholomew, Ray Sprankle, Frank Haury; the policeman was Milton Gage, the sailor, Carl Graham. The band was known as the "Soo-zzz" band and it received first prize as the most comical outfit.

Then there was a float containing girls from Wawonaissa Camp Fire, a rig with George and Martha Washington and Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Hamilton as occupants, and another rig with "four old maids". Both of these rigs were the work of the Medina Improvement Association, the conveniences being loaned by W. J. Anderson.

In the pretty baby contest, while the jewels themselves were self poised and apparently indifferent as to where the lightning might strike, there were anxious mothers, no doubt, to whom their own darlings looked the best. And right here the Sentinel editor will interpose the assertion that of the four or five million babies present he failed to discover a homely one. You're welcome.

But, as we were saying, the maternal anxiety was of brief duration, as the officially delegated connoisseurs of infantile good looks made their decisions with dignity and dispatch. The prettiest baby one year old or younger was said to be that of Mrs. J. R. Gilbert; the one almost as pretty, the 2d. prize. Of the older babies, the first prize was given to Mrs. John Arbogast's little one, while the 2d was awarded to Mrs. Bird Smith's baby. There was no hair pulling as a result of this contest, each mother maintaining a mental reservation as to the relative beauty of her own offspring.

For the best float representing the fraternal organizations, the 1st prize was awarded the Pythian Sisters and the 2d awarded the L. O. T. M.

In the floats representing the business houses, Miller & Collin took 1st prize, C. H. Fretter 2d.

For the best decorated auto, Miss Dorothy Branch was awarded 1st prize and Dwight Shepard 2d.

The ladies of the Medina Improvement Association are happy over the success of their midway. The venture resulted in a profit of \$150. Congratulations cannot be too warm for this active band of workers who are ever on the alert for

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